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JERUSALEM FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC (VANCE, CYRUS P)
SUBJ: SECVISIT-JORDAN-SECRETARY'S ACCOMMODATIONS

1. EMB TODAY INSPECTED GUEST WING OF HASHEMIYAH
PALACE WHERE SECY, HABIB, ATHERTON, TARNOFF AND MORGAN
WILL STAY DURING VISIT. SECY'S SUITE IS ON SECOND FLOOR TO WHICH
THERE IS SINGLE ACCESS BY STAIRWAY NEAR OUTSIDE DOOR ENTRANCE TO
GUEST WING. IMMEDIATELY TO RIGHT OF ENTRANCE TO SECY'S SUITE IS
SMALL BEDROOM AND BATH FOR TARNOFF. THAT BEDROOM
SEPARATED FROM SECY'S BEDROOM BY LARGE AND WELL APPOINTED
SITTING ROOM. BEYOND THAT ARE TWO BEDROOMS AND TWO BATHS.
SECRETARY WILL OCCUPY BEDROOM (CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY EX-KING
CONSTANTINE OF GREECE) OVERLOOKING JORDAN VALLEY,
DEAD SEA AND, ON CLEAR NIGHT, THE LIGHTS OF JERICO
AND JERUSALEM. OTHER BEDROOM WILL BE VACANT.

2. DIRECTLY UNDER SECRETARY'S SUITE IS FIRST FLOOR
SUITE IN IDENTICAL CONFIGURATION. MORGAN WILL OCCUPY
SMALL BEDROOM WITH BATH IMMEDIATELY TO RIGHT OF
ENTRANCE. HUGE SITTING ROOM WILL BE
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OFFICE AND SITTING ROOM. UNDERSECY HABIB WILL OCCUPY FIRST
BEDROOM BEYOND SITTING ROOM, ASSISTANT SECY ATHERTON WILL
OCCUPY THE OTHER.

3. SY COMMAND POST WILL BE IN BASEMENT HALLWAY THAT
IS DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF STAIRWAY THAT LEADS TO
ENTRANCES TO ABOVE TWO SUITES.

4. EMB HAS BEEN INFORMALLY INFORMED BY ROYAL
PROTOCOL THAT SCENARIO OF VISIT WILL REMAIN AS DESCRIBED
IN PREVIOUS CABLES WITH PROBABLE EXCEPTION THAT ARRIVAL
AND DEPARTURE CEREMONIES WILL BE DROPPED FOR REASONS
RELATED TO OFFICIAL MOURNING OVER DEATH OF QUEEN ALIA.
EMB INTENDS TO SEND FINAL DETAILED SCENARIO AFTER
DISCUSSIONS WITH CHIEF OF ROYAL PROTOCOL 15 FEB.
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